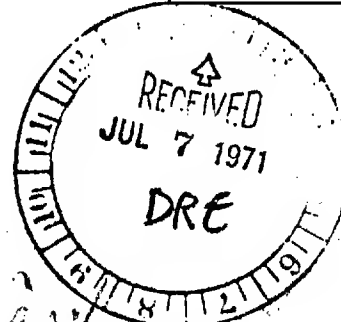




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Mr. Douglas K. Kinsey
Commissioner, Property Management
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General Services Administration
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Dear Mr. Kinsey:

Thank you for your recent letter to Director Hartzog informing the National Park Service of your evaluations pertaining to the excess land at the Fairbanks Highway Research Station, McLean, Virginia.

The National Park Service will be pleased to accept the approximately 215-acre tract, as indicated on the rough sketch enclosed with your letter, however, this meets only part of our needs. We note that a portion of the site north of the 31-acre Fairbanks Highway Research Station to be retained, is slated for transfer to the Central Intelligence Agency. Since this tract is contiguous to existing parkland on the George Washington Memorial Parkway, we consider this tract vitally important to our proposed development and public use of the area. We request your reconsideration and urge that the tract adjacent to the GWMP, now tentatively earmarked for CIA, instead be transferred to the National Park Service. The area is shown in hatched lines on the enclosed sketch.

Sincerely yours,

Russell E. Dickinson

Director, National Capital Parks

Enclosure